

## EARLY PRAYER MEETINGS

Even Greater Interest Displayed Today  
Than Yesterday

The early morning prayer meetings were held this morning, beginning at the usual hour, 6:30 o'clock, and conducted on the lines laid out at yesterday morning's gatherings. The subject of the morning was "Faith—Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ for Strength," and the same interest prevailed in the meetings that was manifested yesterday. Thirty-three churches were used for the gatherings, and while the inclemency of the weather cut down the attendance

Some, the number present at some of them was small. Songs were sung, prayer and short talks were made in the same earnest, fervent spirit that characterizes all of the Christian Endeavor gatherings, and especially those of the past year, and those who participate in them left the churches feeling that they were benefited both in mind and body by the early beginning of the year's meetings. It was a joyable feature of these meetings is the fact that they are opened and closed promptly on time, in strict accordance with the program as laid down by the committee.

Those people who trusted through these meetings this morning to attend the prayer meeting, were disappointed. The church felt well repaid for the inconvenience. The program announced contained a special feature, a special song to conduct the meeting, but Mr. Bala was unable to put in an appearance. Rev. E. E. Barclay of Fairview, Me. county, Pa., took the place of Mr. Bala. The program was a service that music is one of the best ways

The leaders yesterday and this morning at the Guntion Temple Church were both young ladies, and both had excellent voices. The first prayer was by Miss M. prominent Endeavorer of St. Paul, Minn., had charge this morning. She opened the gathering with a selection from the Bible, and then the prayer meeting lasting five minutes, many voluntary offerings were made.

In place of Mr. Herbert G. Wylie of Los Angeles, Cal., who was to have conducted the prayer meeting this morning, the Rev. Mr. F. H. McCallister of the Fifteenth Street Methodist Church, the leader was Mr. E. P. Metcalf, a member of the First Methodist Church of Providence, R. I. The meeting was well attended and prepared, managed to present a good meeting to his hearers, the principal features

Mr. William H. Dobson of the Eastern Presbyterian Church, Washington, conducted the services at the 6:30 o'clock morning prayer meeting. It was expected that Rev. A. J. McGillicray of Ponca City, Oklahoma, would be the leader, but he was unavoidably absent. The church was very well represented.

The leader of the early morning prayer meeting at the Metropolitan Presbyterian Church was Mr. Ralph I. Munson of New York City. There was a very large audience present.

Rev. R. McDurdy of New Jersey conducted the early morning prayer meeting at the Metropolitan Church of the Reformation. The attendance was very large.

The early morning prayer meeting at the North Street Christian Church was led by Rev. A. C. Prince of Alpena, Michigan. The attendance was very large, and the deepest interest was manifested.

The early morning prayer meeting at the Metropolitan Grace M. E. Church this morning was led by Rev. J. H. H. H. H.

that of yesterday. Mr. Herbert A. Froh of Salem, O., C., was the leader, and gave a very interesting address on the topic for the morning, "Faith."

At the early morning meeting at the Central Methodist Protestant Church, Rev. O. F. Bailey, D. D., was the leader. He spoke on the subject of faith to a large audience of California and Washingtonians.

Mr. E. R. Hoobler of Bay City, Mich., state missionary superintendent for the Endeavors of Michigan, was the leader at the evening meeting at the Central North Presbyterian Church. The attendance, according to the report, was very good, mostly of Michigan Endeavorers, who some good talks on the subject of faith.

The unpleasant weather again kept the gathering this morning at the E Street Baptist Church, where the attendance was a number. Mrs. M. A. Corbush of Olympos, Wash., who was to have led the prayer service, was not there, and Rev. E. A. Child, pastor of the church, presided. The Endeavor Audience of Endeavorers, Wash., took her place.

The early prayer meeting at the Memorial Church this morning. The audience was not very large, but full of enthusiasm, and the singing was of a high order. There was a very helpful one to all.

The attendance at the early meeting this morning was the first of the year. The church, 10th and G streets, was crowded larger than yesterday. Mr. A. E. Fowler of Boston acted as leader of the meeting, and the singing was of a high order. Many members of the Massachusetts delegation.

Many interesting and instructive ideas were presented at the early meeting held this morning in the Memorial Church, 3rd street and Grant place. Mr. C. L. Williamson of Atlanta, Ga., led the meeting.

Prayers, hymns and short addresses of an effective character constituted the program followed at the early meeting this morning in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 15th and H streets. Rev. James Lawson of Fall River, Mass., was in charge.

The early meeting at the Avenue Presbyterian Church this morning was led by Mr. H. J. Guthrie of Wilmington, Del.

The ordinary church the leader assigned for this morning's meeting, Mr. J. R. Banta, Louisville, Ky., did not put in an appearance. Prayers and praise, however, marked the service of an interesting hour, and it was not found necessary to have a leader. Mr. Charles H. Chase conducted the singing and Mrs. J. E. Pont was at the organ, and the music was bright and inspiring.

was almost full to overflowing when the services began under the leadership of Mr. P. F. Johnson, pastor of the church. Among the audience were delegates from New England and Connecticut, besides most of the Colorado and Idaho delegates, who had been invited to attend the conference.

About fifty delegates from Florida, Ohio and Connecticut attended the services at the hotel. The morning service was conducted by Rev. W. J. Doole of Horton, Kan., led an enthusiastic meeting, in which most of the delegates took part, either offering prayers or talking briefly.

Mr. W. F. Waterbury from Stanford, Ind., led the prayer service at the Kendall Bath House, where the morning services. Delegates were present, numerous prayers were offered and a number of testimonies were given.

"Faith—Trusting in the Lord Jesus 'Christ for Strength'" was the subject of the first prayer service, given by Rev. J. H. Johnson, delegate to this morning at the Ryland Methodist Episcopal Church. Rev. N. J. Arrick from Mt. Sterling, Ky., was the leader. He led the service with vigor and enthusiasm, conducted the services in a commendable manner. The church was about three-fourths full.

The rain did not dampen the ardor of the Christian Endeavorers at Union Mt. E. Church, where the afternoon service was held. The church was very full and the service was even larger. The meeting was led by

Rev. Mr. Hall, the president of the Vermont conference, spoke. Rev. Mr. Sargent also spoke. The singing of the hymns was led by Miss Cora Bickford of Biddford, Me., the president of the state union. The prayers were offered by a number in the audience. The music was under Mr. Reese. The action of the pastor of the church.

Mr. J. G. Caldwell of St. Luke City, Utah, presided at the prayer meetings on the morning at Peck Memorial Chapel, with a fair attendance. Addresses were by Mr. J. G. Caldwell, president of the conference, Morton of Zacatecas, Mexico, spoke well. Rev. James Hunter also spoke. Nearly 100 persons were present.

The sunrise meeting at the Western Presbyterian Church was attended by a large number of people. The pastor made an earnest way by Mr. W. H. Knapp of Rochester, Minn. Rev. Dr. H. W. Ennis, pastor of the church, presided.

Remarks were made by a number of others, and a great many prayers of friends were offered.

The music was under Mr. W. J. Springer, vice president of the C. E. S.